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Dear Mrs Macadam

As promised, we're following up with the answers to your additional questions regarding the proposed route of the Project and the use of T-Pylons.

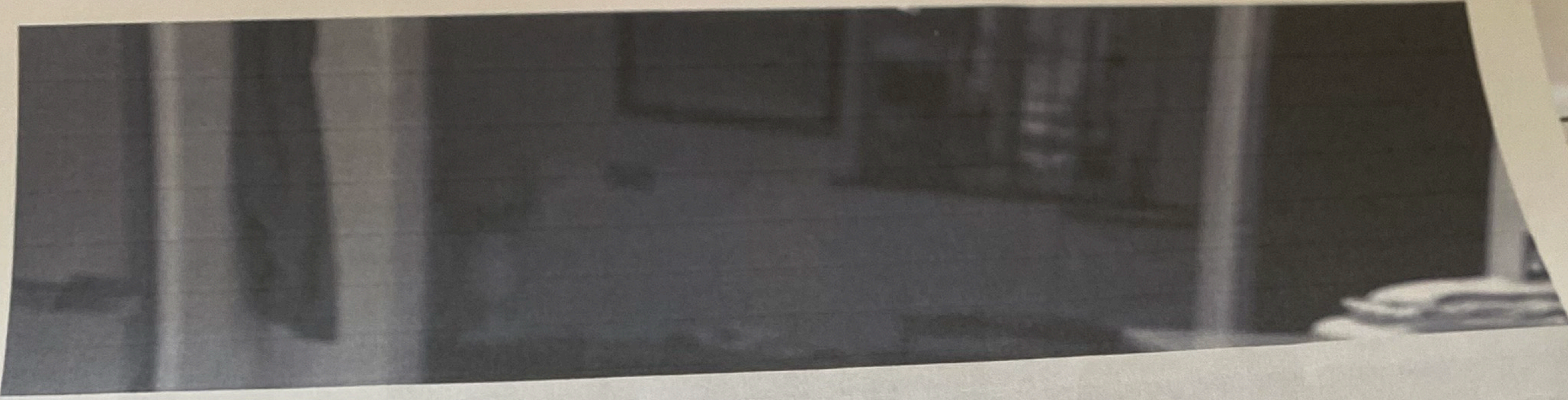
We looked at a wide range of options in this area, including to the north of Brimlin Wood. However, when we looked at this, the design would bring the route much closer to other homes, for example between Charit Farm and The Birches, where there is only a narrow gap between properties. It would also mean the line would need to angle around the north of the woodland, rather than running in a straight line into the proposed cable sealing end compound.

You also asked about using a mix of T-pylons and traditional lattice pylons. National Grid has used a combination of pylon types on other projects, such as the Hinkley Connection. However, T-pylons are more expensive, and under Ofgem's funding rules we are required to use the lowest-cost option that is acceptable. They are also less flexible across different types of land, often needing more complex design and access arrangements.

We also need to think carefully about where different pylon types would change along the route. Because the need for alternative design measures depends on the surrounding area, any visual break or change in pylon style would need to be carefully justified and positioned. Our assessments show that, where overhead

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Tue, Mar 10, 2026 at 6:32

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Hi Camilla,

The report they have referred to says:

"The south of Babergh District forms part of the setting of Dedham Vale Natural Landscape (an AONB) and is unlikely to be suitable for T-pylons due to potential intervisibility from its elevated northern enclosing ridgeline."

And it concludes:

"Although the T-pylons may offer the opportunity to mitigate potential landscape and visual effects when compare with other technologies it is not likely that, for the Project, the overall net benefits of T-pylon (when considering their own disadvantages) would produce an overall favourable alternative to traditional lattice pylons considering all factors that National Grid is required to take into account under its statutory duties."

Kind regards,

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